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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR KOREAN WAR RECORDS

1. MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS KIM DONG-NO ASKED ME JUNE 11 IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN THE OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS KIM IL-SUNG ISSUED TO HIS FORCES JUST PRIOR TO AND AT THE BEGINNING OF THE KOREAN WAR. RECORDS, WHICH ARE TO BE USED IN DISPLAYS IN CONNECTION WITH THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR, ARE APPARENTLY IN U.S. POSSESSION. WE UNDERSTAND INFORMALLY THAT DISPLAYS FOR WHICH DOCUMENTS REQUIRED OFFICIALLY OPEN AUGUST 1 BUT WE WISH TO CHECK THIS POINT FURTHER.

2. IN RESPONSE I TOLD FONMIN I WOULD FORWARD HIS REQUEST, BUT CAUTIONED HIM THAT FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE SUCH OLD WAR RECORDS WERE OFTEN DIFFICULT TO LOCATE. IN MEANTIME, I ASKED KIM TO GET FOR ME ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING DOCUMENTS DESIRED THAT HE COULD.

3. BELIEVE THIS IS REASONABLE REQUEST AND DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED IF AVAILABLE. WILL ADVISE CUT-OFF DATE FOR ARRIVAL AS SOON AS DEFINITELY DETERMINED.
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